

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
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Competitive Product Prices
Priority Mail & First-Class Package Service
Priority Mail & First-Class Package Service Contract 174

Docket No. MC2021-13

Competitive Product Prices
Priority Mail & First-Class Package Service
Contract 174 (MC2021-13)
Negotiated Service Agreement

Docket No. CP2021-13

PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS ON
THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE REQUEST TO ADD
PRIORITY MAIL & FIRST-CLASS PACKAGE SERVICE
CONTRACT 174 TO THE COMPETITIVE PRODUCT LIST

(October 14, 2020)

The Commission established the above referenced docket to receive comments from interested persons, including the undersigned Public Representative, on a Postal Service Request to add Priority Mail & First-Class Package Service Contract 174 to the competitive product list.¹ The Postal Service's Request includes a Statement of Supporting Justification, a certification of compliance with 39 U.S.C. § 3633(a), and a copy of Governor's Decision No. 19-1. In addition, the Postal Service filed a public version of the contract related to the proposed new product. The contract was also filed in its entirety as a non-public document, along with required financial data.

The Postal Service states that Priority Mail & First-Class Package Service Contract 174 is a competitive product "not of general applicability within the meaning of 39 U.S.C. § 3632(b)(3)." *Request* at 1.

COMMENTS

¹ USPS Request to Add Priority Mail & First-Class Package Service Contract 174 to the Competitive Product List and Notice of Filing (Under Seal), October 7, 2020 (Request).

The Public Representative has reviewed the contract,² the Statement of Supporting Justification, and financial model filed under seal that accompanies the Postal Service's Request. Based upon the complete review, the Public Representative concludes that Priority Mail & First-Class Package Service Contract 174 should be added to the competitive product list. In addition, it appears that the instant contract should generate sufficient revenues to cover costs and thereby satisfy the standards of 39 U.S.C. § 3633(a).

The Public Representative respectfully submits the foregoing comments for the Commission's consideration.

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² The contract is scheduled to expire three (3) years from the effective date unless (1) terminated by either Party with thirty (30) calendar days' notice to the other Party in writing, (2) renewed by mutual agreement in writing, (3) superseded by a subsequent contract between the Parties, (4) ordered by the Commission or a court, or (5) required to comply with subsequently enacted legislation. Request; Appendix B at 11.